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BOTH WILL BE SHOT

Drumhead Court-martial for Rivera and His Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THEIR CAPTURE

The Latest News from Cuba and the Sentence of Luis Rivera Blows to the Friends of the Patriots in This Country.

London, March 30.—A dispatch received here from Havana, in reporting the capture of Gen. Luis Rivera, the insurgent leader, and his chief of staff, states that both of the prisoners will be tried by a drumhead court-martial, which means that they will be shot.

Havana, March 30.—Gen. Hernandez Velasco, who is operating in the hills of the province of Pinar del Rio, has sent a report to the government which has caused much elation to all classes of loyal Spaniards. He says that while his command was in the vicinity of Cabezadas, in the Rio Hondo district, Sunday they encountered a party of rebels, 100 strong, who were under the command of Luis Rivera, who was appointed to the command of the insurgents in Pinar del Rio after the death of Antonio Maceo. The rebels occupied a strong position and fought stubbornly, but after an engagement which lasted an hour they were defeated and dispersed. Before the rebel position was captured a grenade which was thrown by the Spaniards fell among the insurgents and, exploding, wounded many of them. This caused a panic, and many of the rebels fled. Shortly after the explosion the Spanish infantry penetrated the rebel position. They found Gen. Bocalao, chief of staff to Gen. Rivera, attempting to carry the latter, who had been wounded by three Mauser bullets, to a place of safety. Both were made prisoners. Lieut. Terry, of the insurgent party, who had been badly wounded by a fragment of a shell, was also captured. The rebels also carried some of their dead with them, but left on the field ten bodies that they were unable to remove. The Spanish loss was only one man killed and one lieutenant and twenty-five privates slightly wounded.

Rivera Cool and Self-possessed.

Gen. Velasco sent Gen. Rivera, Col. Bascallao and Lieut. Terry, in charge of two companies of troops, to San Cristobal, at which place the party arrived to 8 o'clock Sunday evening. Lieut. Terry was so badly injured, however, that he died on the road. Speaking to a soldier at San Cristobal, Gen. Rivera said that he had been kindly treated by his captors. He complains greatly of the pain of his wounds, but is cool and self-possessed. He has one bullet still lodged in his thigh. He is lodged at the quarters of the Guardia civil. Gen. Velasco is still operating in the vicinity of Cabezadas. Private advices had been received here to effect that C. C. Crosby, the correspondent of a Chicago newspaper, was killed while witnessing the recent combat at Juan Criollo, near Arroyo Blanco. It is stated that he was with the rebels.

SENTENCE OF DR. LUIS.

Cubans in Baltimore Greatly Distressed over the severe Penalty Imposed.

Baltimore, March 30.—The absolute refusal of the court yesterday afternoon to suspend the eighteen months sentence and \$500 fine imposed upon Dr. Joseph J. Luis, convicted of sending an armed military expedition to Cuba, pending an appeal to the supreme court, together with the news from Cuba of the capture of Gen. Luis Rivera by a force of Spanish soldiers, has greatly discouraged the friends of free Cuba in this city, but they declare, nevertheless, that the Spaniards are on the run in the island, and that while the conviction of Dr. Luis and John D. Hart will no doubt check the efforts to send supplies from this country to the patriots in arms, the necessities of war will be sent to them until they have succeeded in driving the Spaniards from the island.

The Judge's Remarks.

In sentencing the prisoner Judge Morris said in substance: "The prisoner did what he has done with a full knowledge of the law. He no doubt thought it his duty to assist his countrymen in their struggle against Spanish rule, notwithstanding the United States law to the contrary. As to his moral obligations in the case I must leave that with his own conscience. As nothing else will avail to enforce obedience to the law I must inflict such a punishment upon him as will prevent his breaking it hereafter, and will also serve as a warning to others. I sentence the prisoner to the Baltimore city jail for a period of eighteen months and to pay a fine of \$500." Dr. Luis walked with a United States deputy marshal to police headquarters, whence he was returned to jail by a detective.

Cuban Resolutions Voted Down.

Boston, March 30.—In the house yesterday afternoon a quick vote on the resolutions in favor of "Cuba Libre," and memorializing congress in favor of the struggling Cubans robbed the galleries of expected spectators. The

resolutions were rejected without a word of discussion by a vote of 21 to 66. Mr. Keenan served notice that today he would move reconsideration.

CANADIAN RETALIATION.

Her New Alien Labor Law To Be Aimed at American Miners in British Columbia.

Ottawa, Ont., March 30.—While an alien labor law will be passed this session, it is not likely to be a government measure. The probability is Cowan's bill will be drafted to suit the views of the first minister, and when it comes before the house Premier Laurier will announce that it meets with his approval and will have his support. The effect of the proposed legislation as applied to Americans in Canada will be greatest in the British Columbia gold fields. Thousands of miners and prospectors on the Pacific slope leave their families in Butte, Spokane and other cities south of the line. The proposed law, when put into operation, will require them to bring their families to Canada.

MARITIME NATIONS INVITED.

The Presence of Ships at Grant Monument Dedication Requested.

Washington, March 30.—Secretary Sherman has sent the following cablegram to our ministers abroad who are accredited to nations possessing navies: "The Grant municipal inaugural committee has requested the president to officially invite the maritime nations to send warships to participate in the ceremonies on April 27 next, when the Grant Monument association will formally deliver to the city of New York the tomb of Gen. Grant, erected by voluntary subscriptions, at Riverside park. It will be gratifying to this government if this courteous invitation could be accepted."

Valuable Historical Papers Recovered.

Washington, March 30.—A number of valuable historical papers stolen from the congressional library have been recovered in New York. The most valuable was General Braddock's journal or orderly book, written by his aide, Col. George Washington, from February to June, 1755. The original of a circular letter of farewell written by Washington to the governors of the several states on his retirement from public life is also in the collection. The papers recovered include letters from Benedict Arnold, John Adams, Lafayette, Ethan Allen, Monroe, Jefferson, De Witt Clinton, John Paul Jones and Oliver Wolcott.

Newspaper Correspondent Killed.

Washington, March 30.—The following dispatch has been received from Consul-General Lee, dated Havana, March 27: "C. E. Crosby of New York, the representative of the Chicago Record, is reported killed while watching with field glasses a combat between the Spanish and insurgent forces near Arroyo Blanco, close to the boundary of Puerto Principe and Santa Clara. He came to the island on January 30, and is said to have graduated at St. Cyr, France."

Nominations by Gov. Black.

Albany, March 30.—The following nominations were received in the senate from the governor last night: Earl S. Batchelder of Gloversville, Homer T. Fowler of Rome and William H. Coker, jr. of Utica to be managers of the Rome Custodial asylum. All were reappointments, and upon motion of Senator Coggeshall, the nominations were immediately confirmed.

Unexpended World's Fair Money.

Albany, March 30.—John B. Thacher, representing New York state commission having charge of this state's exhibit at the world's fair, has turned over to the state comptroller \$3,560. This represents the unexpended balance of the appropriation granted the commission to carry on its work.

Machinery Exposition in Peru.

Washington, March 30.—The Peruvian government will open a permanent exposition of machinery next July in Lima, to which articles will be admitted free of customs duty and be permitted to remain on exhibition for six months, unless otherwise specially provided by the government.

Ice in St. Lawrence Weakening.

Montreal, March 30.—Advices from places below here indicate that the ice in the St. Lawrence river is weakening. A general break-up is expected in the course of a few days should the present mild spell continue.

Supreme Court Recess.

Washington, March 30.—Chief Justice Fuller announced to-day that the supreme court will take a recess from April 12 to April 19, the last week in Lent.

Gunboat Helena Earns \$35,000 Bonus.

New London, Conn., March 30.—The gunboat Helena, by making on her trial trip on Long Island sound yesterday afternoon a speed of 15.8-10 knots, has earned for her builders, the Newport News Shipbuilding company, a bonus of \$35,000.

Lawrence Semi-Centennial.

Lawrence, Mass., March 30.—Gov. Wolcott has consented to attend the semi-centennial observance of the founding of this city on May 1.

MAY BE A BIG STRIKE

New York City Builders Threaten To Aid the Steamfitters.

WOULD INVOLVE NEARLY 40,000 MEN

All Work on Buildings in the Metropolis Would Be Paralyzed and Enormous Losses Entailed on Both Sides.

New York, March 30.—Indications this morning point to a spread of the steamfitters' strike, and it is feared that more than 30,000 men may become involved within a few days. Over 1,500 steamfitters are now out and builders, it is said, have practically decided to act in sympathy with them. If all the men employed in the building trade in this city who belong to the Central Labor union should go out the trouble would involve nearly 40,000 men, and such a step would practically stop all building work, causing delays which would mean a loss to contractors of thousands of dollars and entail upon the families of the strikers themselves severe suffering. Men who are interested in the various branches of building work admitted this morning that such a contingency was probable, and they were very gloomy over the prospect. The notice which caused all the trouble ran as follows: "Inasmuch as the agreement heretofore existing between the Master Fitters' Association and the Enterprize and Progressive associations has been grossly violated by the last named association, the Master Steam and Hot Water Fitters' association has declared the said agreement null and void. Therefore, each and every steamfitter and steamfitter's helper who wishes to continue in our employ is hereby directed to report at our shop on Monday morning, March 29, at 8 o'clock and there agree to and sign our new rules before going to work." At first the notice caused some amusement, then when the men pondered over it they became serious. The Master Steamfitters' association hopes to get the plumbers who are members of the Plumbers' association, but are not represented in the board, to take the place of the steamfitters. Should they prove successful in this a general strike will undoubtedly ensue.

THE FLOOD IN TEXAS.

Property Loss Will Reach Nearly \$2,000,000—Two Persons Drowned.

Dallas, Tex., March 30.—An enormous body of water is pouring past Dallas to-day. Trinity river has risen fully 45 feet in the past thirty-six hours and is still rising. The overflow is doing vast damage to farm property along the river banks. John Jist and Miss Ruby Smith were drowned in a branch of the Trinity near Era in Cook county yesterday. Miss Smith's body was recovered. Railroad managers estimate the damage to property of the various lines in Texas at not less than half a million dollars. The railroads are blocked and are being patched up to send trains northward and eastward to-day. The general property loss in Texas from the storm is estimated at from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000.

Floods in Minnesota.

St. Paul, Minn., March 30.—The rivers of Minnesota are rising very rapidly. The Mississippi at this point is still rising steadily. Water is flowing in from the Minnesota in a torrent. The water is running through the Bohemian flats and the residents of that locality are moving out. Much higher water is reported in the Mississippi at Little Falls, St. Cloud and Grand Rapids. There is still about a foot of snow on the ground.

Civil Service Positions Open.

Albany, March 30.—The state civil service commission announces that there are a number of vacancies in the position of medical interne, and that the number of applicants for the examination of April 10 is probably insufficient to fill the vacancies. This position is open to all graduates of medical colleges who have not more than three years' practice. The salary is \$600 per annum and maintenance. Dates have been fixed for the examinations of stenographers as follows: New York and Watertown, April 3; Buffalo and Syracuse, April 10; Elmira and Plattsburgh, April 17; Rochester and Binghamton, April 24; and Albany, May 1. An open competitive examination has been advertised for the position of director of trade schools at the Elmira reformatory at a salary of \$1,200 to \$1,500. This examination will be held at Elmira about April 16.

Government Aid for Flood Sufferers.

Washington, March 30.—A bill appropriating \$250,000 to be expended in saving life and property endangered by the great floods in the Mississippi valley has been reported and passed by the senate. The house at once concurred in the bill, and the money is now available.

The President's Public Reception.

Washington, March 30.—More than 2,000 people shook hands with President McKinley yesterday afternoon.

WILD FOR BLOOD

Powers Unable To Check the Warring Factions in Crete.

SITUATION HOURLY MORE ALARMING

Insurgents and Moslems Only Await Opportunities To Fly at Each Other's Throats—Conferences of the Admirals Productive of No Good.

Canea, March 30.—Each of the foreign admirals has asked his government to send six hundred troops in order that the insurgents may be held in subjection. There does not appear to be the slightest prospect in the near future of any improvement in the deplorable situation existing throughout the island. On the contrary the outlook appears darker now than it has at any previous time, and Moslems and Christians are ready to fly at each other's throats whenever the opportunity occurs. The conferences between the foreign admirals and their representatives and the insurgent leaders appear to be productive of no good results. Notwithstanding this, the admirals continue their efforts to arrive at some understanding with the insurgents which will lead to their laying down their arms and accepting the autonomy already proffered and refused. The latest attempt in this direction is the sending of the Russian consul at this place, who is well acquainted with the insurgent leaders, to hold another conference with them. A delegation of the insurgents arrived at Canea Sunday, and there awaited the coming of the Russian consul, who had been selected as a deputy to represent his colleagues. The Turkish officials had undertaken to inform the consul of the arrival of the rebel chiefs at Canea, but they did not do so. When the chiefs found that the consul was not coming they retired. Thereupon the Turkish soldiers fired upon the insurgents in the vicinity of the town, but the latter did not reply. The Turks then fired again, with a result that they had not anticipated. A large force of infuriated rebels swarmed down from the hills, and would probably have annihilated the Moslems had it not been for a strong detachment of bashi bazouks, who were dispatched from Retimo to the aid of their co-religionists. A general engagement took place, which lasted until darkness rendered further fighting useless. The Turks then retired to the town and the insurgents withdrew to the hills. The losses sustained are not mentioned.

CHEERS FOR CRETAN REBELS.

Irish Members of Parliament Applaud News of Their Attacks Upon the Turks.

London, March 30.—In the house of commons last night Rt. Hon. George N. Curzon, under foreign secretary, read a number of telegrams from the admirals commanding the British warships in Cretan waters. The admirals wired that the Cretan insurgents having refused to permit supplies of food to be sent to the Turkish force at Malaxa, an ultimatum was sent to them by the foreign admirals informing the insurgents that the supplies must be allowed to go to the Turks. Otherwise the foreign warships and troops would resort to force to compel obedience to their demands. In the meantime, the admirals aided, the insurgents captured the Turkish blockhouse at Malaxa. (Cheers from the Irish benches). The foreign admirals, the telegrams stated, then decided that it was necessary to drive the insurgents out of the blockhouse and, accordingly, the warships opened fire upon them. The firing lasted six minutes, at the end of which time the insurgents evacuated the blockhouse, but not before they had looted and burned it. (Renewed Irish cheers).

Disastrous Sealing Season.

St. Johns, N. F., March 30.—The steamer New Foundland with 15,000 seals and the Nimrod with 13,000 have just arrived. Their reports practically confirm former statements showing that two-thirds of the entire fishing fleet are without seals. Only one more laden ship, the Aurora, with 22,000 seals, is expected to-day. The remaining fifteen vessels will have but small fares, having missed the main herd of seals.

Populists To Address the People.

Washington, March 30.—The populist members of the house and senate are preparing an address to the people defining their position toward both the old parties. They object to being classed as democrats or republicans and their address will show that they are wholly separate and distinct from either party.

Silver Dollars and Fractional Coins.

Washington, March 30.—The issue of standard silver dollars from the mints and treasury offices for the week ended March 27 was \$401,900. The shipment of fractional silver coin from March 1 to 27 aggregated \$679,999.80.

Fast Day in Connecticut.

Hartford, March 30.—Gov. Cook has set aside Friday, April 10, Good Friday, as a day of general fasting and prayer.

AGAINST FIGHT PICTURES.

Hoar's Bill Reported Favorably in the Senate—Heavy Penalties.

Washington, March 30.—Senator Hoar, rep. Mass., from the judiciary committee, reported favorably the bill to prevent the use of the kinetoscopic exhibitions of prize-fights in the District of Columbia or the territories. It also prohibits mailing of prize-fight pictures or their receipt from common carriers. Heavy penalties are provided. As reported the second section is material changed and the bill in its new form is as follows: Be it enacted, etc., that it shall be unlawful for any person or persons or corporation to exhibit in the District of Columbia or the territories by means of biograph, vitascope, kinetoscope, or any kindred device or machine, any picture of such a pugilistic encounter or fight as is forbidden by the act of congress entitled "an act to prohibit prize fighting," and so forth, approved February 7, 1896. Section 2. That it shall be unlawful to send by mail or to send in any manner from any state, territory, or the District of Columbia, or to bring into this country from any foreign country any picture or pictures or other material to be used in such exhibitions as are described in the preceding section or knowingly to receive such materials from mails or any common carrier engaged in interstate commerce. Section 3. That any person who shall violate any provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$5,000.

PROFESSORS OF MATHEMATICS.

Henry M. Paul and George A. Hill To Be Appointed by the President.

Washington, March 30.—The president will appoint Henry M. Paul and George A. Hill as professors of mathematics in the navy, thus filling two of the most sought civilian life appointments for which vacancies now exist. These names have just been certified to Secretary Long after exhaustive examination. Both men are now on duty at the naval observatory in Washington. Mr. Hill was appointed an expert computer in the Nautical Almanac office August 5, 1892, on account of his scientific attainments and mathematical ability. Mr. Paul became an assistant astronomer at the observatory July 15, 1875, after winning in a competitive examination. He accepted the chair of astronomy in the Imperial Japanese university at Tokio in 1883, but returned to duty at the naval observatory in 1888.

APPLICANTS FOR OFFICE.

45,623 Letters Received by the Postoffice Department in One Week.

Washington, March 30.—A report for the week ending March 27 last, made by the appointment division of the postoffice department on mail matter received, gives an indication of the number of applications for post-offices that are being forwarded from all parts of the country. For the week mentioned there were 45,623 letters, an increase over the previous week of 20,400. Since the appointment of Mr. Bristow as fourth assistant postmaster general the mail has increased, especially from Kansas. When he assumes his duties it is expected the applications will increase over the present rate.

To Annex Hawaii.

Washington, March 30.—Representative Spaulding of Michigan has introduced in the house a joint resolution providing for the annexation of Hawaii. This is the plan of the administration for accomplishing the result which it is feared might fail if attempted through the medium of a treaty of annexation. Senator Fry will have charge of the matter in the senate.

Rate Trust Hearing.

Washington, March 30.—The attorney-general will move on Thursday next in the supreme court of the United States to advance the New York case involving the same principles as the trans-Missouri railroad traffic pooling case, so as practically to insure a rehearing of the important points involved in the decision before the supreme court of the United States.

Former Ambassadors Coming Home.

London, March 30.—Wayne MacVough, the retiring United States ambassador to Italy, with his wife and daughter, will sail from Southampton for New York on April 10 on the steamship New York. Thomas F. Bayard, late United States ambassador to the court of St. James, with his family, will sail for New York either on May 8 or May 15.

Public Advertisements.

Trenton, March 30.—A bill introduced in the senate last night by Mr. Francis provides that boards of freeholders in second class counties shall designate two newspapers, one of each party, to publish monthly statements of the county receipts and expenditures each year.

Panama Canal Scandal.

Paris, March 30.—The chamber of deputies, by a unanimous vote, has suspended the right of parliamentary immunity in the cases of deputies Naquet, Boyer and Maret, against whom the public prosecutor began proceedings on Saturday for complicity in the Panama canal scandal.

TO BE RETROACTIVE

Rates of New Tariff Bill To Take Effect April 15.

PRESENT PLAN OF HOUSE LEADERS

They Declare Such a Provision Would Be Constitutional and the Proposition Will Be Sprung To-day.

Washington, March 30.—Both houses of congress started in to-day enthusiastically with the intention of making progress and of disposing of some of the great mass of important work on the calendars, so that the day of final adjournment may be brought into sight. The tariff bill will be voted on by the house to-morrow at 3 o'clock and will pass by a party vote and be reported to the senate on Thursday. Debate is now proceeding under the five-minute rule as the bill is considered by paragraphs; but no amendments are being adopted except those proposed by the ways and means committee. The democrats offer opposition to each paragraph as read, and this will result in making it impossible to consider more than a third of the bill between now and the time for taking the final vote to-morrow. The report, which was at first characterized as a scarecrow, that the house leaders were seriously considering the advisability of making the law retroactive by providing that the new rate of duties shall take effect on April 15, proves to be correct. A member of the committee (a ways and means said this morning that the committee had approved the recommendation of the sub-committee and that to-day a motion would be made to add a new section to the bill making the new duties operative as to all imports after the 15th of April. He stated that the correctness of the principle involved had been upheld by the supreme court of the United States in numerous decisions and exemplified in many state laws. There was nothing, he said, in the constitution which would prevent congress from creating a lien against imports after a certain date, for the difference between the rate of duty then prevailing and that which might be later imposed. And any importer who brought goods into this country, or any one who purchased goods from an importer after congress had given notice of its intention to create such a lien, could be held responsible for the payment of the amount involved.

Dissatisfaction Among the Majority.

The rumored dissatisfaction among majority members with the schedules of the bill was manifested yesterday when Messrs. McCall and Lovering of Massachusetts protested against the high rates of duty imposed in the woolen and cotton schedules. The former said it was the woolen schedule in the McKinley bill that had caused the reaction against the protective system resulting in the loss of the house, the senate and the presidency. Mr. Lovering declared that the manufacturers of Massachusetts did not want the high rates, but asked a tariff that would stand. The provisions of the bill were defended by Messrs. Grosvenor of Ohio, Russell of Connecticut and Dingley of Maine. The former said the woolen schedule was a reproduction of that in the McKinley law, under the operation of which that industry reached its highest degree of prosperity. Another outbreak was that by Mr. Johnson, rep. Ind., who wanted to amend some schedules which he said were not likely to be reached because of the irrelevant debate. He so persisted in talking despite the commands of the chairman, Mr. Sherman, rep. N. Y., that the committee rose and the chairman reported that the committee did so in order that the rules of the house might be enforced. Mr. Johnson disclaimed any intention of being unruly and without specific action the house went into committee again. The changes then made were of slight importance.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.

Senate To Consider Another Important Hatch This Afternoon.

Washington, March 30.—The following nominations by the president will be favorably acted upon by the senate, probably this afternoon: Charles Magnus Tower of Pennsylvania, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Austria-Hungary. William S. Shellenbarger of Pennsylvania, to be second assistant postmaster-general. James D. Gill of Massachusetts, to be collector of internal revenue for the Third district of Massachusetts. Henry Clay Evans of Tennessee, to be commissioner of pensions. Anson Burlingame Johnson of Colorado, to be consul of the United States at Fuchan, China. Thomas Ryan of Kansas, to be first assistant secretary of the interior.

Keene, N. H., Savings Bank Reopens.

Keene, N. H., March 30.—The Keene Savings bank, which suspended some time ago, has resumed business. The institution is making loans on eastern securities, but will make none in the west at present.

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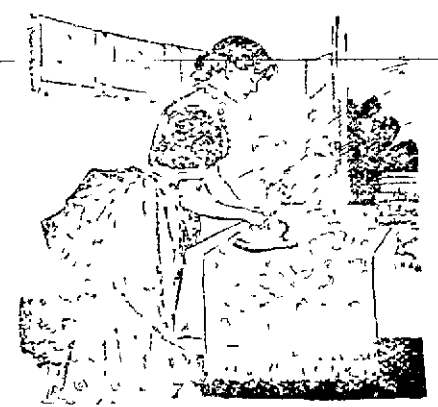
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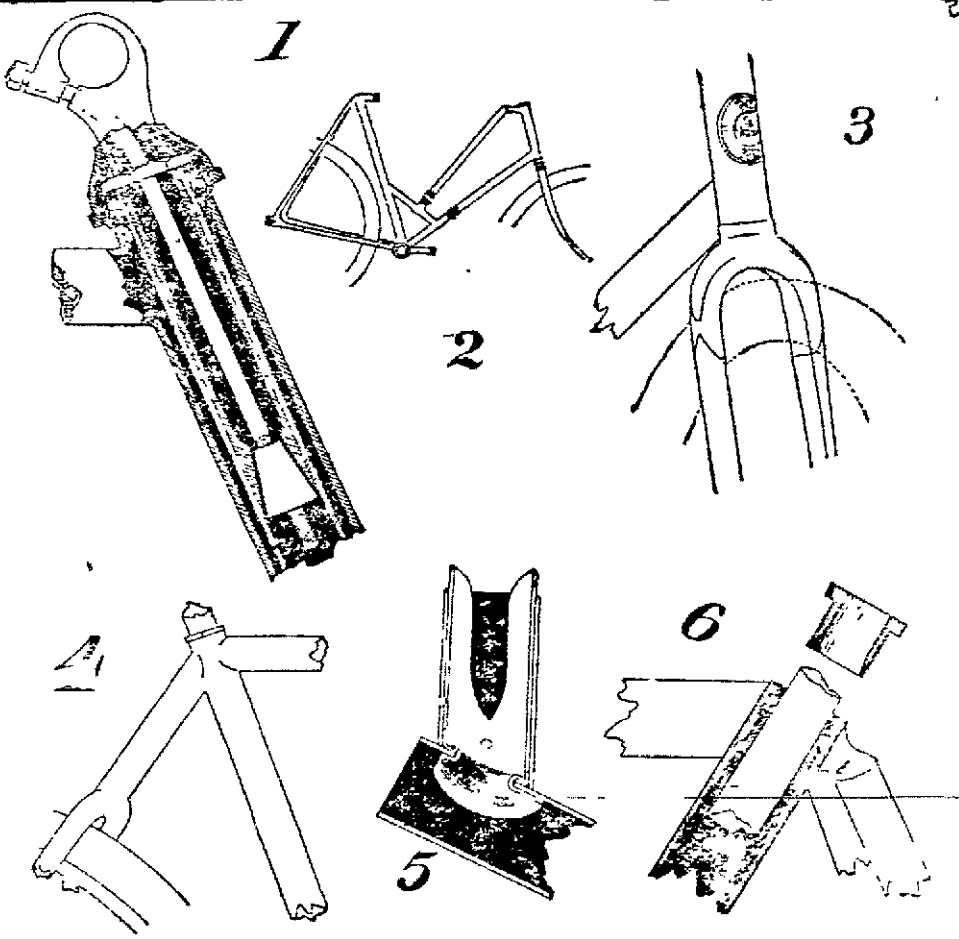
The marvellous development of cycling during the past five years has astonished the world. The general public has not been more surprised by its growth than have the veteran riders who have been enthusiastic since the days of the "good old ordinary," and it was as unexpected by the manufacturers as by anyone else. In 1893 there were 118 bicycle makers in the United States, and they produced comparatively few machines each. In 1894 there were 132; in 1895, 207; in 1896, 448; while the present year opens with no less than 528 factories, not counting the assemblers, who buy parts and put them together in little repair shops throughout the country. The combined output of these factories will amount to very nearly if not quite 1,000,000 machines. In addition to these great bicycle factories, the growth of the sport and recreation has opened the way for the establishment of huge tube drawing mills, drop forging plants, tire molding factories, saddle-making shops, and has stimulated the specialty concerns to the production of a long list of accessories, such as lamps, pedals, cyclometers, repair outfits, cycle clothing, etc.

The increase of the number of bicycle companies from 207 in '95 to 448 in '96, indicates the period in which cycling became what many are pleased to call a "craze." It was in '95 that the demand began to be abnormal, and in that year the supply was wholly inadequate to the demand. The whole output of the factories was disposed of before the summer was half gone, and the second-hand bicycles and models of the year before

There are, however, many excellent bicycles that will be retailed for \$75 to \$85, and the medium-grade machines at \$60 and \$65 will be found very serviceable.

There has been but slight change in bicycles this year. The much-talked-of fluidity of design, by which is meant the lines and construction of frame and parts conceded by a majority of the mechanics to be the best and most perfect for the present type of machine, appears to have been very closely approached, and what few changes have been made scarcely alter the general appearance of the bicycle. All makers seek to bring out something new in mechanical construction each season merely to attract attention to their product, and as a matter of advertising, but this year they have found it necessary to confine their attention principally to the minor parts, such as the bearings, seat and handle-bar clamping devices, and the crank-shaft mechanism, so that the difference between the 1895 and the 1896 models is scarcely perceptible.

Probably the most radical changes have been in the matter of a dropped crank hanger, which is now placed from one to three inches below the wheel axle, and which permits of a somewhat shorter head with a horizontal top bar; D-section tubing in the rear forks and stays, and in some machines in the front forks, by the use of which a slightly narrower tread may be obtained; arched fork crown; flush joints, in which the frame tubes are inserted in the connections; detachable sprocket wheels; handle-bar stem and seatpost that are expanded against the inside of the forkstem and seatpost instead of being locked by a compression clamp, as heretofore, and disc-adjusting bearings, in which the ball cups are threaded on the outside and screw into the ends of the hubs and hanger, instead of the old-style bearings in which the cones



IMPROVEMENTS IN THE 1897 BICYCLE.

1. Extension Handle-Bar Clamp. 2. Convertible Frame. 3. Arched Fork Crown. 4. Flush Joint Saddle Cluster. 5. Flush Joint. 6. Compression Seat Post Clamp.

are at a premium. Any old machine that had been a bicycle in its palmy days sold that fall for a price far above its real value, and the manufacturers were so well pleased with the year's business that each and every one of them made preparations to double or treble its production for the ensuing year. Manufacturers in other lines of business looked on in envy, and noting the indications of an increased demand in the makers of typewriters, sewing machines, firearms, refrigerators, baby carriages, toys, farm implements, and a variety of other articles in no way fitted to bicycles, took up their manufacture as a side line in the hope of having the great profits made by those already in the business. The result in this was disastrous to a large proportion of the new concerns, many of which were forced to the wall because of over-

screwed onto the axle and crank shaft. These are the features that distinguish the 1897 bicycle.

This winter has been productive of a number of convertible bicycles. Recognizing the fact that whole families now ride, and that to provide machines for all the members it has been necessary to have both diamond and drop-frame wheels, the makers have designed models in which the top bar of the diamond frame may be dropped from the saddle to the crank-hanger at one end, thus making a drop-frame that may be ridden by the sister, wife or daughter of the owner. The same construction is also employed in the tandem, so that it may be made at will either double-diamond for two male riders or combination for gentleman and lady.

The racing season promises this year to be an interesting one. Unlike former years, the interest has been kept alive throughout the winter by means of indoor races in most of the larger cities. The "crackercakes" are already concentrating in California to train for the national circuit, which will start there probably in the middle of April or the first of May. It will pass from that state through the whole tier of southern states, with race meetings in all the important cities, after which the circuit party will make a big jump from Florida to the New England states in time for the great Boston meet that usually occurs May 30. It is expected that it will there combine with the grand circuit to be arranged by the recently-organized Track Owners' association. Thence it will come west to the Mississippi valley states in August or September.

A noteworthy element in American racing circles this year will be the foreign racing men. James Michael, the Welsh champion, has returned to this country after a sojourn of a few weeks in England, and will follow the national circuit throughout. E. Hale, winner of the New York six-day race, expects to sail for Europe soon, with the intention of returning to the United States at an early day. Jaap Eden, the Dutch champion, has challenged E. C. Bald, American champion, to a series of match races, which Bald has accepted, and it is hoped that Eden will consent to run them off in this country.



JAMES MICHAEL,
(Champion Cyclist of Wales).

production, general price cutting, and slow collections.

This year opens with brighter prospects, however. The effect of last year's experience has been to make the manufacturers and dealers more conservative, and they will concede the trade hereafter on more businesslike methods.

Those who postponed buying bicycles year after year in the confident anticipation of a big reduction in prices had their opportunity last fall, when prices went up and the trade hereafter on more businesslike methods.

BULL'S Cough Syrup

The People's Friend. In use for fifty years. Cures Cough, Cold, Croup, Whooping-Cough, Grippe, Bronchitis, Asthma and Lung Affections. **DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP** is sold everywhere for only 25 cents. Refuse cheap substitutes.

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You can do it by wearing a pair of our warm overshoes or felt boots. A complete line of Rubber Boots and Shoes in correct shapes at the lowest possible price for good goods at the one price shoe store of

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1896 DOCKASH LINE OF RANGES!

s the finest production in the stove line ever offered to the public. Extra large high ovens, movable grate bars and the prices, they will surprise you. Over 1,400 sold by us in this city and vicinity.

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If they trouble you or you are wearing a pair of cheap, improperly fitted glasses, then come and have them properly fitted with glasses at once.

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Once a Sale of Our COAL

Once it is tried, it will carry itself bravely. The first order is what we are anxious about. After that we feel confident of the result. If you are getting perfect satisfaction where you are, all right; but if you are dissatisfied, if your coal is half dirt, if it burns out quickly, if we want your trade and will guarantee satisfaction. Can you ask more than that?

GORDON & HORTON,

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WHENEVER YOU HAVE TIME

and looking for a nice Separate Dress Skirt remember we have now in stock about 400 in all the new shades. Lot No. 1—A fast black Brilliantine Skirts, four yards wide, regular price \$2, our price \$1.39; lot No. 2—All wool figured Mohair Skirt, well made, regular price \$3.50, our price \$1.75; lot No. 3—All wool Serge, best quality, 4½ yards wide, regular price \$3.98, our price \$2.98; lot No. 4—All silk figured Skirt, elegant patterns, regular price \$10, our price \$6.75. This is a daisy and plenty of other varieties. We positively claim the largest line in the city.

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Spring Capes and Jackets coming in daily.

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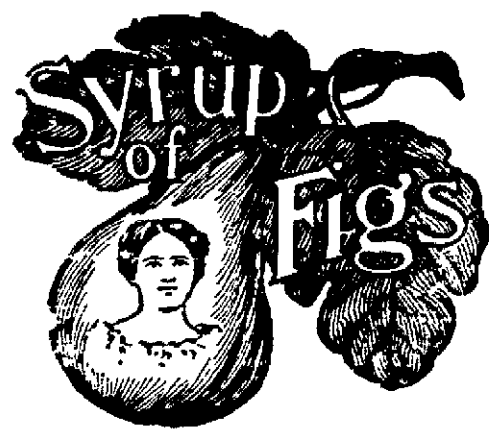
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Improperly fitted glasses are ruinous to your eyes. Do not be experimented upon by so-called professors and opticians as it costs no more to have it done by one that is Reliable, Responsible and practical. Something new in eye glasses that fit any nose. Spectacles with all the latest improvements that are in the market. Eyes tested accurately and suitably free of charge. Every pair is guaranteed. Complete assortment of artificial eyes always in stock to match any color or shape can be found at the CRYSTAL FRONT JEWELRY STORE.

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Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a congested condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

SOUTH CENTREVILLE.

The Sick Improving—First of April Changes—Death of Mrs. Mullen—Home from Their Wedding Trip—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Miss Louisa Bennett, who has been ill with typhoid pneumonia, is on the gain and is now able to sit up.

—Miss Lizzie Robbins, who has been confined to the house for the past three weeks with the grip, is improving slowly.

—There will be a great many changes in this place this spring. Mr. Moore will move to Ridgebury and D. Booth will move on the Van Inwegen place. Rumor says J. Simons will move to Port Jervis, Sam Decker will move on the place recently purchased by Wm. Cole.

—Mrs. Eudine Robertson, who is visiting friends and relatives in New York and Brooklyn, will return April 1st.

—The birds are singing and the voices of the peepers are heard.

—Mrs. Mary E. Mullen, wife of John Mullen, died Friday, March 19, at Eaton-town. She is survived by her husband and seven children.

—Lookout for all fools day.

—Wm. Hunt is able to walk around again without his crutches. He has been housed up all winter with a fractured limb and sprained ankle.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Van Inwegen are back from their wedding trip and will commence keeping house in April.

—George Robertson, our village butcher, has traded his thoroughbred Morgan mare, Fannie, to S. Decker. George gave him a big bargain.

—James Carr recently purchased a fine young horse.

—Miss May Carr, who has been ill with pleurisy and grip, is able to be around again.

—Miss Louisa Van Dervoort is engaged as teacher in the Kirbytown district.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. Van Dervoort have gone to keeping house at P. Riley's.

—L. A. Brundage spent a few days at the Walkkill. He reports ducks as quite plenty and bagged two large black ones.

STARLIGHT.

Personal and Local Notes—Hunting Ducks.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Miss Eda Racine left this place a few days ago for a position in Maplewood, N. Y.

—Will Mongan made a flying trip to Callicoon Depot and North Branch, Friday last. He says the roads are in a terrible condition.

—Mrs. John Robinson, who has been very sick, we are glad to say, is on the gain.

—Miss Kit Mongan, the former teacher at this place, made a short visit here over Sunday. She was obliged to return Monday to the school which she is teaching at North Branch.

—We are glad spring is back again. The songs of sweet birds we welcome after the winter.

—Miss Mary Mongan called on friends in Mongaup Valley last week.

—Mrs. Will Faggart was in town last week, calling on Mrs. Robinson, who has been sick.

—The young men of the vicinity are passing a very pleasant month hunting and shooting ducks; one of the boys killed three one afternoon last week.

—Thomas Mongan called on his parents in Starlight, Monday.

NEW HAMPTON.

Bad Outlook for Farmers—Married in Jersey City—Moved to Stony Ford—C. E. Society Entertainment.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Where, oh where are the good times promised with McKinley? The prospect is bad for the farmers. Milk promises to be lower than ever this year, and eggs are only eleven cents per dozen.

—Cleaning and renovating the New Hampton House began on Sunday, that it might be ready for occupancy April 1st.

—Clarence Wickham, of Port Jervis, visited relatives in this village, Sunday.

—E. H. Stage was married at Jersey City, Tuesday of last week, to Miss Louisa Berk. Mr. Stage has rented a farm at Stony Ford, to which he moved Monday.

—The young people of the C. E. Society will repeat their entertainment next Monday night, April 5th. The programme will be longer, and will consist of dialogues, tableaux, recitations and instrumental music. An admission of ten and twenty cents will be charged.

Doctors Prescribe It.

—JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 2.—My physician recommended Allen's Foot-Ease, the powder for aching, sweating feet, corns and bunions. I shake it into my shoes, and am delighted with it. D. D. Clark. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Ladies Can't Shave. But they can shake Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet into their shoes and get rest and comfort. It cures corns, bunions, tired, swollen, sweating feet, 10,000 testimonials. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, New York.

It is surprising what a "wee bit of a thing" can accomplish. Sick headache, constipation, dyspepsia, sour stomach, dizziness, are quickly banished by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Small pill Best. W. D. Olney.

Just try a 10c. box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

VERNON, N. J.

Another Mad Dog—Resignation of a Teacher—Charged With Stealing Fish—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Another mad dog was seen in this place, early Thursday morning, by persons returning from the ball in Randall's Hall, Warwick. It is not known what became of it.

—Miss Redding, who has been engaged as teacher of the Williamsville school, has resigned her position and will return to her home in Boston, Mass.

—Charles W. Shaw will move in the Rutan house, at present occupied by Joel Decker.

—S. H. Wood is erecting a barn near his tenant house, to be used by "Jack" Conklin, who will occupy the house.

—William Parker spent a portion of last week with relatives in Paterson and Jersey City.

—Warrants were issued, last week, for the arrest of Anthony Landwehr and Sam and Frank Lewis, charged with stealing fish, oysters, etc., from the wagon of John Morgan, while it was standing under the hotel sheds. Constable Yauzer succeeded in capturing Frank Lewis, the other two making good their escape to Unionville. A hearing was given Lewis before Squire Denton, and after taking testimony of a number of witnesses the prisoner was discharged, there not being sufficient evidence to hold him.

—Lanson Cole died at his home in Williamsville of consumption, last Thursday.

—George Parker is somewhat better at present writing.

—The dairies of Messrs. J. E. Rhodes, Frank Mott and Abraham Webb were destroyed by J. E. Ferguson, of Stockholm, last Friday.

—One of the mine houses took fire and burned up one day last week.

BEAVERKILL.

Visited Her Invalid Son—Death of Robert Bond—To Enlarge His House.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mrs. R. W. Smith who has been spending a few days with her invalid son who is stopping at Jay Davidson's, has returned to New York city.

—Mrs. Newman, of New York city, visited her brother, Robert Bond, last week. Mr. Bond died Saturday night, and his body was taken to Brooklyn, Monday. He has been in poor health for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Bond have been married less than a year.

—John Earle will move on Orin Steele's farm.

—Jay Davidson, so report says, will build an addition to his already large house the coming season.

—The Ladies' Aid Society meets with Mrs. Maggie Davis, this week.

ONE IN EVERY FOUR.

One Person in Every Four Suffers From Piles.

About one person in every four suffers from some form of rectal disease. The most common and annoying is itching piles, indicated by warmth, slight moisture and intense, uncontrollable itching in the parts affected.

The usual treatment has been some simple ointment or salve which sometimes gives temporary relief, but nothing like a permanent cure can be expected from such superficial treatment.

The only permanent cure for itching piles yet discovered is the Pyramid Pile Cure, not only for itching piles, but for every other form of piles, blind, bleeding or protruding. The first application gives instant relief and the continued use for short time causes a permanent removal of the tumors or the small parasites which cause the intense itching and discomfort of itching piles.

Many physicians for a long time supposed that the remarkable relief afforded by the Pyramid Pile Cure was because it was supposed to contain cocaine, opium or similar drugs, but such is not the case. A recent careful analysis of the remedy showed it to be absolutely free from any cocaine, opium, or in fact any poisonous, injurious drugs whatever. Sold by druggists at 50 cents per package.

Inflammatory Rheumatism Cured in 3 Days.

Morton L. Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., says: "My wife had Inflammatory Rheumatism in every muscle and joint; her suffering was terrible and her body and face were swollen almost beyond recognition; had been in bed for six weeks and had eight physicians but received no benefit until she tried the MYSTIC CURE FOR RHEUMATISM. It gave immediate relief and she was able to walk about in three days. I am sure it saved her life." Sold by J. E. Mills.

Don't allow the lungs to be impaired by the continuous irritation of a cough. It is easier to prevent consumption than to cure it. One Minute Cough Cure taken early will ward off any fatal lung trouble. W. D. Olney.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 19, 1896. Messrs. ELY BROS.—I have used Ely's Cream Balm a number of years and find it works like a charm. It has cured me of the most obstinate case of cold in the head in less than 48 hours from the time I felt the cold coming on. I would not be without it. Respectfully yours, FRED K. FRIES.

Cream Balm is kept by all druggists. Full size 50 cents. Trial size 10 cents. We mail it.

Ely Brothers, 56 Warren street New York City.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup brings instant relief in cases of asthma, bronchitis, and all throat and lung diseases, down to the very borderland of consumption.

THE REPORT NOT CREDITED.

Cuban Junta Has Heard Nothing of Gen. Rivera's Alleged Capture.

New York, March 30.—The Cuban junta has received no information concerning the capture of Gen. Rivera and his staff, and Estrada Palma does not credit the report with any truth. "The Spaniards," he said, "have sent out this report in order that they might offset the news that three filibustering expeditions have been landed on the island recently." Latest reports from Rivera to the junta stated that there were between 5,000 and 6,000 soldiers in his army.

Death of William Isip.

New Bedford, Mass., March 30.—William Isip, who died at Pomona, Cal., yesterday, was a native of this city. He left here on a whaling voyage in 1833, when a lad of 18 years, and went to California around the Horn. He claimed that gold was found and mined in the mountains in Ventura county in 1843, and always maintained that he saw gold nuggets brought from there as early as 1845.

Cause of Mocaquaque Fire Unknown.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 30.—Two hundred men and boys are out of employment as the result of the destruction by fire yesterday of the extensive coal breaker operated by the West End Coal company at Mocaquaque. The origin of the fire, which did damage to the amount of \$50,000, is unknown.

Drowned in a Stranded Ship's Cabin.

Perth Amboy, N. J., March 30.—The schooner Era, which foundered off Port Reading on Wednesday last and was raised was brought here last evening. The body of Paul Aretzo, who went down with the vessel, was found in the cabin.

Suicide of Jockey Campbell.

New York, March 30.—Archie Campbell, a well-known jockey, shot and killed himself in skiff at Robbins Reef, near State Island yesterday afternoon. Despondency over illness unfitting him to ride is considered as the motive for suicide.

The Detroit at Sea.

Suez, March 30.—The United States cruiser Detroit has arrived here.

HOUSEHOLD SUGGESTIONS.

Some Small Items of Useful Information.

A mirror should never stand or be hung where the sun's rays fall upon it. The light and heat produce a chemical disintegration of the quicksilver at the back, which injures the reflective power and makes the glass seem dim and dull.

Many cooks believe the white meal, made from southern corn, is superior to the yellow, made from that grown at the north. Nevertheless a Johnny cake doesn't seem to advertise itself as such unless it is a golden yellow. The yellow meal is very sweet and nice.

Beans soaked 24 hours in tepid water and then cooked a short time only, merely long enough to make them tender and well done, and beans put on to cook with little or no soaking and boiled a long time, are quite two separate and distinct dishes. And if you don't believe it you may demonstrate it by experiment. Those soaked the longest will be by far the most appetizing.

In cooking the breakfast table cereals, the object is to give them a chance to absorb water and to cook the starch thoroughly. The larger and drier the grain the more time must be allowed for the accomplishment of this result.

Whole grains are improved by a previous soaking; those that are finely ground must be mixed with cold water to prevent the formation of lumps. Others should be sifted through the fingers into boiling salted water. Cook fast at first, then more slowly over boiling water, covered, and without stirring.—Detroit Free Press.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Trade moderately active.

May, 78½c.; July, 77½c.; Sept., 74½c.

Corn—Market dull; no change.

May, 30½c.; July, 31½c.

Oats—Spot trade dull, but nominal.

May, 21½c.

Pork—Market quiet, but steady.

Extra prime, nominal, short clear, \$9.00 to \$10.50; mess, \$9.25 to \$9.50; family, \$9.50 to \$10.50.

Lard—Market steady; prices firmer.

Prime, western, \$1.40.

Eggs—Market moderately active.

State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 10½c.; western, fresh, 10c.; southern 9½c. @ 9c.

Butter—Trade firm; fair demand.

creamery, western extras, 10c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 17@19c.; creamery, western seconds, 16c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 16c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, full made, extras, 11@12½c.; western, imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 10@16c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 10@12c.

Cheese—Firm, but prices unchanged.

Cream, large size, full made, colored, 13½c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 5@8c.

Potatoes—Prices remain stationary.

Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, \$1.00 @ \$1.25; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, 86c. @ \$1.00. Sweet potatoes, \$1.00 @ \$1.75.

DOUBLE EDGED.



Little Willie (an angel child)—Clara, you needn't be afraid to tell Mr. Brown your age. He'll never tell.

Clara (choking down an inclination toward fraulicheit)—And why, dear?

Little Willie—Because I heard papa say Mr. Brown looked just like a confidence man.—Philadelphia Press.

Wanted a Bonus.

They were just closing up the real estate deal and the man who always wanted something thrown in to make a good bargain appeared to hesitate.

"What'll you throw in?"

"What'll I what?"

"What'll you throw in as a sort of bonus?"

"Oh, yes, of course," said the real estate man. "How stupid of me! Why, the fact is, in our line of business we are not in exactly in the habit of giving prizes, but, in this case, just to make it binding, I don't mind throwing in the back taxes."

"Now you're talking business!" exclaimed the would-be purchaser. "It always pays for a man to stick out for his rights."

It was only after the transfer was made that he discovered that the back taxes were payable by and not to the owner.—Chicago Post.

Must Use the Knife

Said the Surgeon, but Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy Was Taken and the Knife Avoided.

The Union and Advertiser of Rochester, N. Y., recently published the following interesting account of how William W. Adams, of 127 South avenue, that city, was saved from a painful operation by the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

Mr. Adams said: "Three years ago I was taken with kidney disease very badly; at times I was completely prostrated; in fact, was so bad that the day was set for the doctors to perform an operation upon me. But I decided I would not submit. I had been put in hot water baths, and, in fact, nearly every means was tried to help me. Upon the day set for the operation I commenced the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, and from that moment began to gain, and it was not long before I was entirely cured and have had no return of the trouble since. My weight has increased and I never was so well as I am now. I have recommended

DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

to many people, for it saved my life."

In speaking to Mrs. Adams, she said:

"About a year ago I was in a very feeble state of health, being completely run down. I had doctored considerably, but without permanent relief. One day one of my neighbors advised me to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, which I did. My trouble was dyspepsia, and for a long while I was unable to be about at all; but after taking a few doses I was completely cured, and now enjoy good health."

Hundreds of men and women with that "run-down" condition, unable to work, have recovered health and strength through this remarkable remedy. It purifies the blood, stirs the liver and kidneys to a healthy action. In cases of rheumatism, kidney, liver and urinary troubles, it is a well known specific.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 30.—Fair, to-night; increasing cloudiness and probably local showers, Wednesday; winds shifting to easterly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the reading of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 A. M., 38°; 12 M., 67°; 3 P. M., 66°.AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.
—April 2.—Ball of Surprise Hook and Ladder Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—April 2.—Bachelor Club hop.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1897.

Although Tom Bradley was often "mentioned" as likely to be McKinley's choice for Commissioner of Pensions the place was given to H. C. Evans, of Tennessee. Mr. Bradley having been an "original McKinley man" will not be left without his reward. It will come in the shape of duties on knives drafted solely in the interest of his Walden knife shop.

The Providence Journal, Rep., calls attention to the fact that the deficiency of \$208,000,000 for the past four years almost exactly represents the pension payments made during that period in excess of those before 1890, when a Republican Congress recklessly added millions to the annual pension list. In other words the trouble with the Treasury is not so much deficiency of revenue as excess of expenditure.

Danbury, Conn., which gave 800 Republican majority last fall, went overwhelmingly Democratic at the municipal election, yesterday, and placed the Democrats in complete control of the city government. Disgrace of workingmen at the non-appearance of the era of prosperity which Republicans promised as a result of McKinley's election had much to do with yesterday's political upheaval.

Four Republican members of Congress from Massachusetts squandered off at the tariff bill, yesterday. The wool schedule was their principal object of attack. They declared that it was altogether too high and gave more protection than manufacturers wanted or was needed by wool growers. One of the speakers, Mr. McCaul, said that in the proposed bill the same mistake was made as was made in the McKinley bill, which "imposed duties altogether higher than were required by any just measure of protection, and was responsible for the period of depression through which the country had passed, as it brought about the defeat of the Republican party." The copper schedule was also assailed by Mr. Simpson, and with such success that Mr. Dingley agreed that unmanufactured copper should be restored to the free list. The significance of the host-the attitude of the Massachusetts Congressmen toward the tariff bill in its present shape is that they represent manufacturing districts and see that the measure threatens the prosperity of local interests.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

Rails made from paper pulp are in use on some continental railroad lines and are giving good satisfaction. Paper car wheels have been in use for many years, and with such good results that it occurred to some one to use the same material for rails. They are said to wear well and are so much lighter than steel that they can be made twice as long, thus reducing the number of joints, and as a result the wear and tear on car wheels.

Real Estate Notes.

Gardner & McWilliams, real estate and insurance agents, have sold for Miss Jessie A. Cochran her fine residence, No. 135 West Main street, to Sheriff A. W. Beakes, of Goshen. Mr. Beakes will move into his new premises, January 1st next, and make Middletown his home at the close of his term of office.

Real Estate Sales.

Case & Taylor have sold for W. S. Peck, of Walker Valley, his farm of 69 acres near Bloomingburgh to Virgil Ross, an engineer on the West Shore Railroad, who will occupy the property April 1st.

Ride the Orange County Express Bicycle.

BACKACHE AND RHEUMATISM relieved by Dr. Allen's Nerve Plasters.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

CHEAPER FUEL FOR STATE HOSPITALS.

An Experiment in the Use of Crude Oil to Be Tried at Binghamton.

ALBANY, March 30.—The State Hospital Superintendents at their monthly conference with the members of the State Lunacy Commission, to-day, considered a proposition to substitute crude oil for coal for use as fuel in hospitals. An experimental plant will be equipped at the Binghamton State Hospital. It is estimated that the State Hospitals pay upwards of \$350,000 annually for coal.

NEWBURGH AND COCHECTON TURNPIKE BILL.

ALBANY, March 30.—Mr. Goodsell's bill providing for the requirement of portions of the Newburgh and Cochecton turnpike by the authorities of the various sections through which it passes, has passed the Assembly.

THE GOSHEN ELECTION BILL PASSED.

ALBANY, March 30.—Assemblyman Bedell's bill providing for holding biennial elections for town officers in Goshen at the same time as general elections passed the Assembly, to-day.

FOR THE RELIEF OF FLOOD SUFFERERS.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—The joint resolution appropriating \$250,000 for saving life and property from the Mississippi floods has passed Congress.

JESSE HANSEE SENTENCED.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Jesse C. Hansee of Ellenville, who was convicted, Friday, of extensive pension frauds, was sentenced, to-day, to fifteen months in the Kings county penitentiary.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Frank Whalmore, of Illinois, has been nominated for Public Printer and Alexander M. Thacker, of Pennsylvania, to be Consul at Havre.

DEATH OF DANIEL SWEZEY.

HIGHLAND FALLS, March 30.—Daniel Swezey, one of the oldest residents of this town, died suddenly of heart disease, this morning, aged eighty-four years.

TANNERY HANDS TO STRIKE.

CHICAGO, March 30.—The tannery hands and finishers in the Chicago tanneries have resolved to strike.

A DOUBLE FUNERAL.

The Bodies of Husband and Wife Laid Side by Side in One Grave.

It was a sad sight that was witnessed at the First Presbyterian Church at 2 o'clock, this afternoon, when two of Rockatell's hearses were driven up to the curb and a casket was removed first from one and then from the other and carried into the church and placed to rest in the altar. A bunch of lilies and carnations rested on each casket.

The first casket contained the body of Jesse Holbert Davey and the other that of his wife, Mary J. Davey, whose obituary notices were published yesterday.

The church was filled with relatives and friends. Rev. Dr. Gordon preached the funeral sermon, and a quartette, composed of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Adams, George Wickham and Miss Myra Mapes, rendered the music. Mrs. Swezey presiding at the organ.

The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Davey were buried side by side in one wide grave in the family plot in Hillside Cemetery.

The pall bearers were Willard M. Clark, Albert Peck, Henry Smith, Smith Livingston.

Hired a "Bike," Forgot to Return It.

A stranger hired a bicycle at Clearwater's, yesterday. He looked honest and the clerk who waited upon him neither required payment in advance nor asked his name.

He failed to return as he promised and had not yet put in an appearance this morning. The police have his description.

Capt. Yeber traced the man to Goshen, and from there to Florida and telegraphed parties at the latter place to hold him.

FACE HUMORS

Pimples, blotches, blackheads, red, rough, oily, itchy skin, itching, sealy scalp, dry, thin, and falling hair, and baby blemishes prevented by CUTICURA SOAP, the most effective skin purifying and beautifying soap in the world, as well as purest and sweetest for toilet, bath, and nursery.

Cuticura

EVERY HUMOR

Merit Talks

"Merit talks" the intrinsic value of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Merit in medicine means the power to cure. Hood's Sarsaparilla possesses actual and unequalled curative power and therefore it has true merit. When you buy Hood's Sarsaparilla, and take it according to directions, to purify your blood, or cure any of the many blood diseases, you are sure to receive benefit. The power of cure is there. You are not buying a placebo. It will make your blood pure, and thus drive out the cause of disease, strengthen the nerves and build up the whole system.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best, in fact—the One True Blood Purifier. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills. Do not purge, pain or

OBITUARY.

Hulet D. Clark.

Hulet D. Clark, one of the most prominent, wealthiest and most highly esteemed citizens of the town of Minisink, died this morning, at his home in Johnson, aged sixty-two years.

Mr. Clark was a native of Sussex county, his father Benjamin G. Clark, a native of Connecticut having removed to New Jersey, in early manhood and engaged in farming on a fertile tract in Sussex county. Shortly after attaining his majority Mr. Clark, on Dec. 29th, 1857, married Margaret Swartwout, a daughter of James D. Swartwout. After his marriage Mr. Clark purchased a farm in Mount Hope upon which he resided for six years. In 1867 he bought the farm near Johnson, on which he afterwards lived improving it in many ways and bringing it to a high state of cultivation.

In 1886 he engaged in the flour and feed business in Johnson and in partnership with his son, Clarence G., carried on the business there and in Westtown under the firm name of Clarence G. Clark & Co.

Mr. Clark is survived by his wife and five children: Deborah, wife of Samuel Hornbeck; Naomi, wife of John G. Beakes; Clarence G., Carrie M. and Niven H.

Mr. Clark for many years took an active interest in the welfare and progress of the Westtown Presbyterian Church, of which he was one of the elders. He filled a very prominent place in the social, business and religious life of the community in which he lived and will be widely mourned and deeply missed.

TOOK POSSESSION OF A CAR.

An Unknown Man Put Off an Erie Train Attacked With Tremors.

Yesterday afternoon a man who had taken possession of a section of a car was put off train 33 on the Erie. No information could be obtained from the man except that he lived at Maple Dale, Pa. He had a ticket from Jersey City to Hancock.

The man was placed in the lockup and at 10 o'clock, last night, was found by Dr. Schultz to be suffering from a well defined case of "jim jams."

The ambulance was called and he was taken to Thrall Hospital.

FIRE NEAR GLENMERE.

Barn and Contents Destroyed—Thirty-Four Cows and Five Horses Perish.

From Our Goshen Correspondent.

The barn of Patrick Powers about one-half mile east of Glenmere Lake was totally destroyed by fire, together with its contents, at 11 o'clock last night.

Thirty-four cows and five horses perished in the flames and a quantity of hay and all the farming implements, wagons, harness etc., were destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The building was insured for \$800 and the live stock for \$700.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to tender our heart felt thanks to our neighbors and friends for their many tokens of sympathy in our sad bereavement. C. W. HILL AND MAZIE.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedial treatment. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Sent for circulars; free.

P. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

The misery of years has been cured in a single night by the use of Doan's Ointment, a positive, never-failing remedy for Itching Piles and all similar diseases. Your dealer keeps it, or can get it for you.

Ride the Orange County Express Bicycle.

READY TO WEAR!

We are offering a very complete line of Ladies' Cloth Suits, Bicycle Suits, Separate Skirts, New Spring Coats and Capes, and Shirt Waists.

Now is a good time to make your selections. PRICES REASONABLE. We make alterations without charge.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street.

Telephone 166.



EASTER NECKWEAR!

We are showing the largest and finest selection in the city. Puffs, Imperials, Four-in-Hands, Dress Rows and Ties. Our tie styles are equal to 50c and our 50c styles are same as are sold at 75c and \$1 elsewhere.

An elegant new line of SHIRTS, the latest designs in all grades.

READYMADE CLOTHING.

We are showing an elegant stock of Spring Suits, Overcoats and Pants at low prices. A big stock of GLOVES, all the new shades.

MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

We are receiving a great many orders for Spring Suits, Overcoats and Trousers. Now is your time to leave your orders to have your outfit for Easter. Remember we carry the largest stock of Imported and Domestic Cloths in the city.

HATS! HATS! HATS!

We have all the latest blocks in all grades and we put your initial in your hats, which is a great preventive from losing your hat. Call on

JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

WE OPEN EVERY DAY

New Goods for Spring Trade.

The present prices make us buy largely. Prices are low—they will be much higher soon. This is particularly true of all imported goods. We are all about to become wealthy by taxing ourselves. This way of enriching the people was lately discovered; it is great and ingenious—watch its operation during the next four years.

SPECIALS—Two bales sheeting at 5c; 50 new styles Dress Goods \$1.39, \$1.95, \$2.25, \$3.69—one-third below actual values.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.

No. 39 North Street.

Honest, Reliable Shoes

at low prices.

"The Hub" Shoe Store,

13 West Main Street.

Men's Kangaroo Calf, laced and Congress shoes at \$2.50 for solid comfort, Honesdale make. Our Men's \$3 patent leather shoes are as good as any at \$5. Call and see them.

NEW TO-DAY!

Nice string beans, cucumbers, tomatoes, new beets, asparagus, spinach, oyster plant, rhubarb, parsnips, green onions, cranberries, strawberries, very fine celery and all kinds of oranges.

DEWEY & MUNDY,

40 North St. Telephone 39.

Buy Your Groceries Cheap.

WITH THE INTENTION OF GOING OUT of the GROCERY BUSINESS

FROM THIS DATE

We Offer All Groceries

At Cost for Cash.

I. B. A. TAYLOR & Co.,

NO. 30 WEST MAIN STREET!

ORGANDIES!

New patterns of Organdies and Dimities arriving nearly every day. Now is the time to make your selections. Come and get the choice of them before they are gone.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

Stop Grumbling and Go to the Root of the Difficulty.

TRIOLA

Is guaranteed to free the scalp of dandruff, stop the hair from falling and to produce a new growth. Home testimonials to the above. Sold by

J. E. MILLS, Druggist

North St. Middletown.

For Sale!

Rent or Exchange.

The very desirable country residence of Mr. F. R. Bonnell, popularly known as the Starbuck place; finely located in an excellent neighborhood, 2 miles from city, on North Plank Road. Large fine house of thirteen rooms, barns, carriage house, etc., and twenty acres of choice land.

A. V. BOAK,

Real Estate Agent, 35 North St.

Are You a Kodaker?

If you are at all interested in the subject of Photography let us talk Cameras and Kodaks with you. Full line of Films, Dry Plates, Solio Paper, Developing Outfits, Mounts, Albums, etc., in stock.

When you wish correct styles of engraved visiting cards let us have your plate or order. Have you seen the spring styles in fine stationery?

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.

A WORD ABOUT CUSTOM

MADE CLOTHING.

Our spring line of Woollens are in and we have the latest patterns and colors.

We are fully prepared to make those Spring Clothes you must have.

Of course Easter is late this year, and if you don't want to bloom until that day, you do not need them right away.

But "there is no time like the present," and about Easter time we will be very much rushed.

There is also some advantage in having the first selection.

"A word to the wise is sufficient."

Remember we make Suits from \$16 up and Trousers from \$4 up.

GEO. W. YOUNG.

Ladies Who Value A refined complexion must use Porson's Powdery. It produces a soft and beautiful skin.

Innovation

in Our

Order Department

We have made a popular move by adding a line of cloth to make Suits to order from \$9 to \$16, in fine grade of goods. We can make you a fine Black Dress Suit or a Business Suit as low as \$9.

It makes no difference what size or shape, it makes no difference what notion you have, we will please you.

These goods are cut and made according to your measure, all hand finished and well lined

We are booking orders daily and want your order.

We are also agent for Arnheim, the New York tailor, the largest exclusive custom tailor in the world. No ordinary dealer can show the variety. We have samples of their full line at the prices in New York.

Their Prices—Suits \$16 up.

Their Prices—Pants \$4 up.

Morris B. Wolf,

One Price, 10 North St.

DAILY ARGUS.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1897.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

—Farm at public auction Saturday, April 10th.
—Small shed 15 cents at Greening's.
—Cows for sale by Tegeler, Burcher & Co.
—Roe shed 30 cents at Greening's.
—Novelty goods 3 and 8 cents each.
—Lamb 6 cents at Greening's.
—Suits made for \$9 at Morris B. Wolf's.
—Acute wanted.
—Road good to Fair Oaks.
—Hop at Columbia Park.
—Dog lost.
—Store to let on West Main street.
—Bargains in clothing at Budwig & Co.'s.
—Murray's Remedies for sale by druggists.
—Dr. Kennedy's remedies are for sale by all druggists.

AS USUAL.

Meanwhile the waiting, eager line
Of patriots we scan,
And note that for each office
There is some Ohio man.
But if with keener vision we
Look down the line again
We'll see for every office
There are ten Ohio men.
—Chicago Tribune.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Guy Brothers' minstrels at the Casino, next Thursday evening.
—Parkins' orchestra gives another hop at Columbia Park, Thursday evening.
—The bell in the hose tower failed to sound the second alarm sent in from box 37, this morning.
—Rev. D. T. Howell, of St. John's Church, Monticello, will preach in Grace Church, to-morrow evening.
—One hundred thousand trout fry and 2,500 yearling trout are being placed, today, in the streams of Chenango county.
—Nearly 200 persons have pledged themselves to become members of the proposed new Baptist Church in Norwich.
—Paterson's Board of Trade has started a textile school in which it is proposed to teach all the details of silk manufacturing.

—Rev. Father Prendergast, of Port Jervis, will preach at the Lenten services at St. Joseph's Church, Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. J. Searle, of Calvary Presbyterian Church, Newburgh, will be celebrated Thursday evening.
—Edward Coburg's sale of horses and carriages, harness, etc., will take place April 1st, at 2 o'clock, at stables, 127 Fulton street, Kaufman, auctioneer. 1d
—Street Superintendent Reed was at work with a road scraper yesterday, and the condition of the streets on which the machine was used was greatly improved.

—The trout fishing season opens in New Jersey, Thursday, and some Midletowners who know where to go are planning to try their luck in the streams of Sussex county.

—W. Clifford Rogers is painting and decorating the interior of the Elberton House, King street, getting it ready for the new landlord, Wm. Morrison, who will take possession, April 1st.

—Two arrests for stealing coal from O. and W. cars were made at Norwich, Saturday. Over twenty arrests of coal stealers have been made in that village, this winter, but still the thefts continue.

—As will be seen by the new advertisement of Jacob Gunther elsewhere he has taken the agency in this city for Otto Hueber's Malt Extract, a pure article highly recommended especially for invalids and persons recuperating from sickness.

PERSONAL.

—Rector Evans went to Monticello, this morning, and will preach the Lenten sermon in St. John's Church, to-night.

—Mrs. August Berbert, of Hastings-on-Hudson, who has been visiting at the residence of P. F. Kaufman, returned home today.

—George Lea went to Port Jervis, today, to appear as a witness in the hearing in the J. F. Kilgour case before U. S. Commissioner Shields.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Coburg, of No. 127 Fulton street, mourn the death of their ten months old child. The funeral notice appears elsewhere.

—Miss Florence Coyne, a teacher in our public schools, has gone to Middletown to spend the week with her brother, Thomas Coyne, of that city.—Port Jervis Union.

—J. Lance Haring, of No. 5 East Main street, who has been on a four weeks' visit to relatives and friends in Paterson and Newark, N. J., returned to his home, yesterday.

—Mrs. F. Stern, of Newburgh, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. Stern, in this city, returned home, today. She was accompanied by her grandson, Roland Stern.

—There is a marked improvement in the condition of Mrs. William R. Royce, today, and her symptoms, this afternoon, are more encouraging than at any time since her illness began.

—Miss Jessie A. Gardner, who has been confined to the house for the past ten weeks with grip and complications that followed the attack, was able to walk out yesterday for the first.

—Hon. John M. Helck, of Callicoon, stopped off in this city, on his way home from New York, last evening, and spent the night at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Harding, on Highland avenue.

—Mrs. Louise Cox arrived in town, last evening, having been called here by a telegram announcing the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. William Carpenter, who is not expected to survive many hours.

—Hon. O. B. Wheeler, of Middletown, arrived in town on the milk train, Monday morning, and left for Oakland on the P. J. M. and N. Y., at noon. He says

that the pressed brick industry at Oakland is gradually coming to the front.—Port Jervis Union.

—Miss Irene Ferris, operator at the central office of the Orange County Telephone Company, who has been confined to her home with the grip for the past two weeks, is again able to be out, but has not recovered sufficiently to resume her duties at the exchange.

FRANK WELLER'S HOTEL LICENSE

Hearing Before Referee Sanford in the Suit for Its Annulment—Testimony as to the Distance from the Hotel to the Murrin House Entrance.

The only witnesses examined in the hearing, yesterday, before Referee F. V. Sanford in the Frank Weller case were Engineers Olney and Everson, who made the measurements and map for the petitioners, C. C. Luckey and Mrs. Annie Murrin.

The petitioners claim that the door of Weller's saloon is not 200 feet distant from Mrs. Murrin's residence as required by law.

Mr. Olney testified that the distance from the centre of the walk in front of Mrs. Murrin's door to a point in front of the nearest entrance to the saloon is 188.6 feet; the distance on the house line between the entrances 187.7 feet; distance between centre of doors on a straight line 162.6; distance from the easterly line of door of Murrin house to the sidewalk and along line of houses to the northerly side of the door of the saloon was 193.1; distance from centre to centre of doors on same line was 197.4; distance from the centre of the door of the Murrin house to the centre of sidewalk and thence to centre of entrance to saloon 215 feet.

These measurements were made before the entrance of the saloon was changed; Engineer C. J. Everson corroborated the testimony of Mr. Olney in regard to measurements.

A LITTLE GIRL LOST.

Only Knew Her Name Was Nettie—Found by Her Parents at Police Headquarters.

Nettie, the three-year-old daughter of Thos. J. Ludlum, of Washington street, slipped out of the house alone, yesterday, and started to see the town. She was absent three or four hours when her almost distracted parents found her at police headquarters.

The little girl was discovered alone on the street beyond the North street crossing by George Hurley, who being unable to get any information from her as to her name or residence, except that her name was Nettie, turned her over to the police.

TO TRAIN C. H. C. BEAKES'S HORSES
Barney Perry to Become Trainer at Cornwall Stock Farm.

Barney Perry, until a few months ago proprietor of the Bell House, will return to the business which suits his fancy best and which he has followed most of his life—that of trainer and driver of trotting horses. He will take a position April 1st with C. H. C. Beakes, at Cornwall stock farm.

Mr. Perry is one of the best horsemen in the country and Mr. Beakes knows it for he has had him in his employ before. Mr. Perry was with the late John H. Goldsmith ten years and has handled and driven some of the fastest horses in the country.

HYMENEAL.

Gregory-Kniffin.

Friends in this city have received information of the marriage, at Santa Rosa, Cal., on March 24th, of Harvey Gregory and Mrs. Mary M. Kniffin.

Mr. Gregory is a native of Orange county, and will be remembered by many who know him before his removal to the West. He was born and reared on the farm now owned by Senator Richardson, in the town of Goshen.

He is a brother of Mrs. S. A. Goldsmith, of No. 11 Knapp avenue, this city, of Noah Gregory, of Eight-and-a-Half Station, and of Mrs. N. J. Stage, of Stony Ford.

Mrs. Jackson's Reading.

Rev. S. F. White, pastor of M. E. Church, Goshen, says of Mrs. Margaret Crawford Jackson, who will begin a course of seven readings in the lecture room of the First Congregational Church, Friday evening:

"I have listened with much satisfaction to Mrs. Jackson's readings from her book entitled 'Those People.' Her delivery is easy and attractive, while at the same time there is a spirit of earnestness which is impressive. The readings given in this town were well attended and all who heard them were delighted."

Taken Suddenly Ill.

H. S. Johnson, proprietor of the millinery store in the Adams building, was taken suddenly ill at the store, this morning. He was removed to his home, where he was resting comfortably this afternoon.

Best of All

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the spring-time comes use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. One bottle will answer for all the family and costs only 50 cents; the large size \$1. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only, and for sale by all druggists.

No need to suffer with rheumatism, lumbago, neuralgia, cramps or colic. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil cures all such troubles, and does it quickly.

Ride the Orange County Express Bicycle.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED OUT

Fire in a Chimney Caused by Throwing a Match Among Dry Wood in a Fire Place.

An alarm of fire from box 37, corner of Fulton and Mulberry streets, was sounded at 4 o'clock, this morning, and was immediately followed by a second alarm from the same box. The fire was discovered by Chas. F. Powell, night watchman at the tannery, who saw flames issuing from the chimney of the house, No. 13 Fulton street, owned by Thomas Barry and occupied on the lower floor by Stephen Murray, the well known deaf and dumb man, and on the upper floor by Mrs. Harvey. After sending in the alarm Mr. Powell ran to the house and aroused the inmates.

When Eagle's patrol wagon arrived in sight of the house a great pillar of flame was coming from the chimney and a stream was turned down the opening and soon the flames subsided.

The fire did no damage except to burn a mantel piece over an open fire place in the basement. It was in this fire place, that had been filled with dry wood, that the fire started, and Mr. Murray by signs indicated that he had thrown a match there after lighting his pipe when the flames shot up. The soot was, of course, set on fire and fed the flames.

The basement was flooded with the dirty water that came down the chimney. There is an insurance of \$500 on the house with Case & Taylor.

THE 24TH'S ANNIVERSARY SMOKER

A Very Attractive Programme Arranged for To-night.

The arrangements for the 24th Separate Company's smoker to be held at the Armory, this evening, are completed. Smoking will commence any time after 8 o'clock. The entertainment will consist of singing, dancing and instrumental music by local talent, musical selections by the 24th Separate Company Band and a monologue by Franklin Hart, a well known entertainer from New York. The entertainment will be followed by a feast of steamed clams.

Tri-States Driving Park Officers.

The Tri-States Driving Park Association, of Port Jervis, held its annual meeting, Saturday. The old directors were re-elected as were also the old officers as follows:

President—J. B. Thorpe.
Vice President—John W. Lyon.
Secretary—George Schoonover.
Assistant Secretary—Geo. A. Elston.
Treasurer—Evi Shimer.

Erie and West Shore Ferry Franchises Sold.

The leases of the Pavonia, Jay street and Forty-second street ferries for five years were sold, yesterday, by Comptroller Fitch. The Erie Railroad secured the Pavonia ferry for five per cent of the gross receipts on the New York side, the total not to be less than \$8,500 a year. The Central-Hudson, as lessee of the West Shore, secured the Jay street and Forty-second street leases at the upset prices, \$3,500 a year for the former and \$11,000 a year for the latter.

Orange County Agricultural Society.

A meeting of the managers of the Orange County Agricultural Society will be held in the Court House at Newburgh, on Friday, April 2d, 1897, at 10 a. m., to determine the location of the next fair, appoint superintendents, revise the premium list and regulations, and to transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

An Entertainment to be Repeated.

It will be gratifying to many to know that "Gates Ajar," the entertainment recently given in St. Paul's M. E. Church, is to be repeated on next Friday evening. New features are to be added and the admission price has been reduced to the merely nominal one of ten cents to everybody.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

To Lecture in Port Jervis—To Move to Co-hen—Might Have Caused a Serious Accident—Singers Visit Middletown—Funeral of Mrs. Emily Rawlins Wait—Married Last Night—Monticello Bowlers Coming.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Rev. R. B. Clark will deliver his lecture, "Smile, vs. Grieve," before the Deer-park Club of Port Jervis, on the evening of Friday, April 2d.

—Herbert Jay Newbury has leased the Redfield house on South street and, next week, with his family, will remove from Guilford and take up his permanent residence here.

—A piece of bridge iron, sixty feet in length, fell from a passing freight train just east of Vill's crossing, on Sunday. It fell on the outside of the track on the curve and caused no particular damage.

—Frank Fredericks, one of the ironers employed by the Goshen Hand Laundry, has removed his family from Florida to a house on Middle street, Golden Hill.

—The Vocal Society went to Middletown by special trolley car, last night, to rehearse "The Elijah" with the chorus of that city.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Emily Rawlins Wait was held, yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, from the residence of Miss Sarah J. Smith, on Church street. The interment was at Phillipsburgh.

—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clark, their daughter, Grace L., was united in marriage to Jerome W. Wilson, last night, at 8:30 o'clock, in the presence of about sixty relatives and friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. F. White. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson took the Wells-Fargo Express east for an extended wedding journey.

—The return game with the Monticello Bowling Club will be rolled at the G. S. A. A. alleys, on Friday evening of this week.

—Dr. R. L. McGeech has been appointed Health Officer by the Town Board.

—The active and honorary members of all the companies of the fire department are requested to meet, at 1:30 o'clock to-morrow, without uniforms, to attend the funeral of Casper Rieker.

The Norwich Baptist Church Fund.

The Norwich Baptist Church, on Sunday, voted to exclude from membership fifteen of its members who have been active in organizing a new church in that village. This action was taken on the ground that they were trying to foment discord and prolong the recent trouble. The church also appointed a committee to wait on all delinquent members and ascertain why they were not fulfilling their covenant obligations.

Either a Six or a Nine.

The drawing for the banjo at Vincent Maggio's last evening, resulted in drawing a number that could not be identified. It was either a six or nine and no one could decide which and the drawing was postponed until Friday evening, at 8 o'clock.

Bleeding Piles, Itching Piles.

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